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EXTRACTS FROM THE JOURNAL OF JOHN PARRISH, 1773.

[The following "Extracts," as they are termed in the MS. before me, "from John Parrish's Journal of a Visit performed to the Western Indians in Company with Zebulon Heston & Jn° Lacey Anno 1773. in about 2 months," are evidently not given *verbatim*, as the use of the third for the first person shows; but they are, doubtless, substantially accurate and are not without a certain value.—T. S.]

Set out 7 mo. 9. dined at the Buck & lodg'd at Robt Valentine's. 10th din'd at Miller's and lodged at Lancaster where staid at Meeting the next Day. 12th Crossed Susquehanna in the Evening & lodg'd at Tobias Hendrick's, (I suppose at Carlisle). 13th lodg'd at Shippensburgh at one Ripples. 14, reach'd the Blue Mountains at about 11 oclk —rough travelling yet pleasant.

15th lodg'd at Fort Littleton. 16th Travelled thro' a rough and mountainous country & lodged at Fort Bedford at Fredk Naglee's (good Entertainment). 17th Crossed Laurel Hill thro' better Roads & lodg'd at a private House, one Lawrence Erwin's. 18th In the Evening reach'd Pittsburgh in good Health, having been treated with remarkable Civility by the People hitherto. Put up at one Sample's. They reached Pittsburgh in 10 days; not being hindered an Hour in the whole Journey.

The 19th they rested, got their Cloaths washed & sent 18 miles down the Ohio for a Guide to New-Comer's Town, one living so far on the way to that place & intending to set out next morng, but to their surprize he came into Pittsburgh that morning, his Life being threatened by an Indian man named Jn° Logan, whom White Eyes & Cohursater went to appease, by water, leaving them to the care of an Indian Guide who took them by Land near to John Logan's Camp, which under conduct of another Indian they avoided by going round thro' the Woods, & swam

their Horses over the Ohio to John Gibbons' ye Trader, where they were kindly & freely entertain'd. Here they staid 4th Day 21st and Logan being pacified they set out ye 22^d^ accompanied by White Eyes & John Gibson, the former agree^g^ to go with them least they should be under any apprehensions of Danger. Rode 9 or 10 miles down the Ohio to Beaver Creek's Mouth where Jno Logan had his Cabbin. Here along the River were several Cottages & a fine Bottom. Cross'd Beaver Creek & twin'd more Westward, thro but indifferent Land & lodg'd in a low Place for the sake of the Water. 23^d^ saw a few Indians on their way (Lands hardly fit for Cultivation) & lodg'd at a Bark Shelter. 24. Gibbons & White Eyes went on & they staid at a Moravian Town (12 miles short of New Comers Town) where they were kindly entertained. 25, made them full satisfaction & went on, got to the Town about 1 o'clock being met by Capt Kilbuck who seem'd pleas'd, & were conducted to the King's Palace. He express'd Joy in his Countenance & told them by an Interpreter that "He had a sense of that Love which subsisted between our Forefathers," which was evidently to be felt.

Then they were conducted to a House prepar'd for them, & staid ye 26 & 27 waiting for an Interpreter, visited by several particularly Thos McKee the King's Brother who enquir'd kindly after his 2 friends Is: Pemberton & Isaac Zane & gave them a hearty welcome. They were kindly entertained, the Women daily bringing them the best Provisions the Town afforded.

28. The Day appointed for a Council, Capt Kilbuck waited on them & told them they were ready to hear them. John, after a short Introduction, read the Certificates & Epistle from Friends. . . . when the Meeting ended they withdrew, & left the Indians in Council. After some time they were sent for & Capt White Eyes spoke by a Belt, & said "That was the Delawares' writing." He express'd much Joy in seeing some of their Brothers, the Quakers, & believed what had been said to be right—that they had receiv'd offers of Religion many Times but would not

accept them til they had seen their Brothers the Quakers & heard what they would say to them . . . said they were weak & poor and not able to judge for themselves, & when they thought of their Children it made them sorry, hop'd the Friends would instruct them in the right Way for their Good both in this & the World to come, & that they should be strengthened to abide by what they had heard. He then delivered a Belt as a Confirmation of what he had said.

29. Capt White Eyes & J. Gibbons set off for the Shawanee Town. At 12 o'clock a Meeting was appointed. . . . The Indians declared their Intention of going to England &^{c}. After Dinner the King & several of his Council came to see them at their Quarters. One of the Council undertook to read the Belt so that it might be taken in writing, but fell short of what had been said the Day before. 30th They visited several small Settlements & were kindly entertained. 31. They wash'd their Cloaths & fished a little. . . .

8 mo. 2^{d} dined with White Eyes, where their Speech being read over to them, they pointed out some Omissions, which were added, & it was read over again before the King & 4 Counsellors who approv'd it.

3^{d} Set off homeward, dined at Connodenhead, went to the Upper Moravian Town, staid all night, saw the Indians & their Teachers. A Number of them sent their Love to Friends, in Philad^{a}. 4th went back to the Lower Town, where White Eyes & Thos McKee came to accompany us to Pittsburgh. After dinner put forward about 15 miles & rested comfortably at a fine Spring after taking a dish of coffee. 5th Rode about 30 miles thro' a very poor Soil with little Water—slept in the Woods. 6th John's Beast failed, & the others left him—he at length turn'd her loose & follow'd the Company with his Saddle, Bridle, Bags & Blanket on his Back, overtaking them they got to Jno Logan's on Beaver Creek, the prospect gloomy he being expected home drunk, his Mother & Sister were however civil & got them some supper. 7. John went back 7 miles on a hired Beast & bro^{t} in his tired mare to Logan's—got to John Gibson's—(swam their horses over ye Ohio oppo-

site Logstown). 1st Day (the 8th) rested all Day. 9th pass'd along the English Shore to Captain McKee's, it raining hard & they much wet, treated kindly & stay'd all night. John chang'd his Beast. 10th rode on 4 miles to Pittsburgh where 11th they had an appointed Meeting, at which the most reputable People attended & it was favour'd. Afternoon went to see the Coal Quarry. Spent some Time with the Indians, of whom Capt White Eyes, Thos McKee & Delemson, all men of Note, were then there. 12th Left Pittsburgh to visit some Friends in the new Settlement about Redstone (Governor of Virginia just arriv'd at Pittsburgh)—went down the Monaungahela about 6 miles & forded; went to one Francis Fisher's a Friend who receiv'd them kindly—had a large Family of Children. 13. Had a Meeting with his & 3 other Families. 14. Cross'd the same Fording Place back into Braddock's Road & pass'd thro' the Field of Battle (the Bones yet in Sight)—travell'd down the Road about 30 miles from Pittsburgh, put up at McDole's a Presbyterian, a private House. 1st Day ye 15th stay'd all day. 16 Turned back 3 miles into the Redstone Road & in about 10 miles riding came into a small Settlement of Friends, between the two Sewickillys; & not far from Yohageni are settled Joseph Blackburn, Wm Read, Simeon McGraw, Anthony Blackburn, Danl Hammond, James . . . Jos Bedsworth . . . Gilbert. Had a heavenly Meeting the 17th at Jos: Blackburn's about 30 or 40 Persons being present, mostly promising Youth, went towards the upper End of Redstone & lodg'd with Daniel Hammond. 18th cross'd the 2 Redstone Creeks along by the Fort (hilly fertile Lands) & got to Josias Crawford's where were kindly receiv'd, and next Day by him accompanied to his Brother James's. 20 had a meeting in a School House which was full solid & satisfactory. 21. Rested. 22, Had a meeting with about 100 Persons many pretty Youth among them. James has 10 children. Barnebas McKee, Thos Gregg, Nathan Brown & Thos Bishop appear to be solid Friends. 23, went forwd dined at Thos Greg's & lodg'd at Jacob Beason's. 24 Staid all Day & had a good Meets at his

House, with several Professors & other friendly People. 25, Came to the Foot of Laurel Hill (3 miles long) & after 10 or 12 miles riding came to the Junction of the Redstone & Pittsburgh Roads a little below Dunbar's Destruction—pass'd over Braddock's Grave soon after—bated near ye Great Meadows—lodg'd at Moore's Ordinary on the Floor in our Blankets. 26th Started soon found the Roads very stony and muddy, dined at Thomlinson's Tavern & afterwards rode 10 miles to Tittle's—were wet & cold as it frequently is in passing these mountains—the Road this Day very bad. 27th Left Tittle's, met great Numbers of People going to the new Country. Cross'd the North Branch of Potowmack into Virginia—lodg'd at Reynolds' Tavern. 28, Cross'd the South Branch in a Canoe swimming the Horses, & reach'd to Jesse Pugh's in the Evening where they were kindly entertained. 29. Went to Back Creek Meeting which was a good one. Z. H. appear'd in Testimony as did also Sidney Wright, and . . . Mendinghall concluded in Supplication; dined at Jesse Pugh's & lodg'd at John Lupton's. I. Lacey left them here & went forward to Fairfax. 30 P.M. John Lupton went wth J. P. to I. Zane's Iron Works. 31, were at a Meeting held in Course at Richd Fosset's House—lodg'd at David Brown's. 9 mo: 1st we went to Crooked Run, accompanied by D. B's Wife, it was their Preparative Meeting—dined at Robert Hames's & return'd to David Brown's. 2^d^ Were at Hopewell Week Day Meeting, a good Meeting. Zebulon, Sidney Wright & Eneas Huse appear'd. Zebulon went to dine with Saml Pickering & I with Widow Jolliff—return'd back thro' Winchester with Isaac Zane to the Iron Works where met with his kind Mother & Sister. The Works, Farms &^c^ compleater than any J. P. had seen. Land good and Provision low. 4th of 9 mo: return'd to his Companion at S. Pickering's, who accompanied them to Richd Ridgeway's. 5th Went forward to . . . Meeting, & afterwards went home with Edwd Beason. 6th Lewis Walker went with them Part of the way to Edwd Crawford's near the Foot of the Ridge. 7th Cross'd the Mountain at Black's Gap & got in

the Evening to Abbot Town, lodg'd at Dunkin's Tavern. 8th By noon got to York where remain'd at W. Matthews. 9th John Lacey rejoin'd them—got to I. Whitelock's at Lancaster. 10th Dined at the Ship.

Memorandum. In Clapham Bottom lives Jos: Bedsolt —near Fort Ligonier live Solomon Shepherd & his Brother John. Caleb Powell from N. York late from York County. Jas McGrew mard out. At Laurel Hill Settlement at the Head of Redstone, Manallin Township, live Jacob Beason, Henry Beason, Wm Cammell.

The addition which White Eyes &c desired might be made to the Belt Speech mention'd in the preceding Journal, was

"We think that as we two Brothers the Delawares & the Quakers were brought up together, it is our Saviour's Mind they should be of one Religion. Now you have come & open'd the Road, we expect to see the way from Town to Town over to the great King. Then our King will see us that we the Quakers & Delawares make one Man and one Religion."